

I travel throughout a 100 mile area in TX and welcome XM radio for weather and traffic on demand. Ever since XM began offering the traffic and weather for my area, I have found it very useful. In the past, since FM and AM radio stations in the DFW area do not consistently offer this information 24 hours a day, I was forced to use my Internet access over the mobile phone to get this information.

What legitimate reason is there to keep satellite radio from offering this service? I assume this is driven by the threat of satellite radio gaining a more mainstream audience and Clear Channel (or other large conglomerates) losing advertising revenue and ratings. So what is next, stop the national Internet sites from giving you local weather and traffic information?

It is strongly suggested the FCC reject NAB's petition 04-160 since it is clearly a self-serving plan that in no way reflects considers the public's needs and wants.

Thanks,  
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I vote and actively educate others about candidates and business that support ludicrous issues such as this.